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## THE TIDES

OCTOBER, 1903.				OCTOBER, 1903.					
High Water.	A. M.	P. M.		Low Water.	A. M.	P. M.			
Date.	h.m.	ft.	h.m.	Date.	h.m.	ft.	h.m.		
SUNDAY	4:11	7.4	11:41	7.3	SUNDAY	4:57	1.7	5:45	2.0
Monday	5:11	7.6	12:04	7.7	Monday	5:50	1.7	6:20	1.4
Tuesday	6:02	7.8	12:23	8.0	Tuesday	6:22	1.7	6:52	0.9
Wednesday	7:10	7.7	1:02	8.3	Wednesday	7:04	1.8	7:23	0.6
Thursday	8:14	7.4	1:35	8.6	Thursday	8:00	2.0	8:05	0.2
Friday	9:22	7.5	2:10	8.9	Friday	9:05	2.2	8:45	0.1
Saturday	10:30	8:06	2:51	8.8	Saturday	10:45	2.6	9:30	0.1



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## Charges Cruelty Against Driver

**Council Committee to Investigate the Alleged Brutality of Louis Cordes.**

At last night's meeting of the council, charges of cruelty were preferred against Louis Cordes, driver of the chemical engine. The charges were filed by Councilmen Morton, Nordstrom and Hansen, comprising the committee on fire and water. It is alleged that driver Cordes beat "Chief," one of the horses, with a club in an unmerciful manner. When the matter was brought before the council Mr. Burns said he thought it seemed strange that charges should not have been preferred by the fire chief. He moved the appointment of a committee to investigate and report to the council, Mayor Suprenant naming the following councilmen: Messrs. Burns, Nordstrom and Wilson. City Attorney Smith will act with the committee. Under the present ordinance a member of the fire department can be removed only for cause and the council must, by vote, cause his removal.

Mr. Cordes ridicules the statement that he was cruel to his horses. He said he had occasion during regatta week to whip the team, but that he used a small 5-cent cane of the regatta souvenir style.

Mr. Morton introduced an ordinance granting to fire engine drivers 10 days' vacation per year, at the expense of the city. The ordinance will be finally acted upon at the next meeting of the council.

Chief Stockton reported that the West Astoria bell tower was in dangerous condition, and on his recommendation the council referred the matter to the public property committee with power to make the necessary repairs.

Mr. Nordstrom introduced a measure that will prove of special interest to members of the Push Club. The city park fund derived from the levy made at the request of the club was never placed in a special fund, but remained in the general fund of the city. Mr. Nordstrom's ordinance instructs the auditor to draw a warrant for the amount, \$500, and the treasurer to create a special fund. The bill will come up for final action two weeks hence.

Considerable discussion followed the reading of a communication from J. Lindenberg, who had been granted permission to use city property at the foot of Eighth street. The city authorities had determined to institute proceedings to compel him to remove a building which he had by previous permission built on the street, and which had been enlarged without permission. The council finally decided that he should be allowed to enjoy the privilege for an indefinite period and Mr. Smith was instructed to suspend proceedings.

The report of the board of equalization on the assessment for the improvement of Cedar street was received. Mr. Wright stated that some of the property owners were not satisfied and that they desired to address the council, but the courtesy was not extended. Mayor Suprenant holding that such matters should be brought before the council in writing. This is the first time on record where the privilege of appearing before the council had been denied.

Surveyor Tee reported as to the improvement of Franklin avenue from Thirty-sixth street to the claim line. He said that he would not recommend a macadam improvement unless the property owners generally petitioned for it. He also made a report on the proposed Commercial street improvement between Fourteenth and Seventeenth, recommending that it be deferred until connection is made on Exchange street between Twelfth and Thirtieth. The matter was referred to the street committee.

A communication was received from the Astoria Box Company urging the improvement of Franklin avenue, in the East End. The petition was presented in anticipation of a remonstrance.

The surveyor reported on the proposed improvement of Ninth street between Franklin and Harrison avenues. It was decided, however, that it was agreed that the legislation should be done during the winter and the improvement made in the spring. It will be necessary to re-establish some of the grades for this improvement, as all are not uniform.

An ordinance declaring the intention of the council to improve Duane street from Twelfth to Thirtieth developed a discussion as to whether red or yellow fl be provided for in the contract. It seems that red and yellow fl come out of the same tree, but that some of the red fl recently used is not up to standard. A motion to insert in the

ordinance a provision for either red or yellow fl lumber was put to a vote and resulted in an equal division of sentiment. Mayor Suprenant decided against the red fl and the ordinance stands as it was originally framed, with the provision that the lumber used shall be yellow fl.

Resolutions were adopted providing for the improvement of Exchange street and Thirtieth street. The last named street is only about 100 yards in length.

An ordinance confirming the assessment for the improvement of Cedar street and the connecting alleyway was passed under suspension of the rules.

City Surveyor Tee asked and was granted a leave of absence of a few weeks. He is ill with rheumatism and desires to visit Hot Lake. He asked that N. D. Raymond be appointed as deputy surveyor during his absence, but there is nothing in the charter providing for a deputy and the request could not be granted. Mr. Raymond will act during his absence.

## Full Ticket Is To Be Elected

**Council Makes Provision For City Election To Be Held on December 9.**

At last night's meeting of the city council an ordinance was passed for a general election to be held in this city December 9. The officers to be elected follow:

Mayor, two councilmen from First ward, one councilman from the Third ward, auditor and police judge, one police commissioner, street superintendent and city surveyor. All the officers are to hold for two years except the councilmen, who are to be elected for three years, and the police commissioner who holds for six years. The election of the city attorney and a Second ward councilman is thrown into an off year by resignations.

Judges and clerks of elections are named in the ordinance as follows:

Polling place No. 1—Suomi hall; judges, S. G. Trullinger, Leander Lebeck and Harry Heinonen; clerks, Frank Norberg and Frans Kankonen.

Polling place No. 2—Engine house No. 1; judges, P. J. Goodman, Thomas E. Nelson and Albert Brix; clerks, C. C. Utzinger and George Hill.

Polling place No. 3—Engine house No. 2; judges, Herman Wise, H. D. Thing and E. P. Allen; clerks, R. G. Prael and Arthur Leberman.

Polling place No. 4—Welch block; judges, C. R. Thomson, August Danielson and A. Scherneckau; clerks, D. T. Gerdes and D. H. Welch.

Polling place No. 5—Engine house No. 3—judges Harry Jones, L. Larsen and William Kelly; clerks, Peter Johansen and E. Manulla.

Polling place No. 6—Old Adair school house; judges, Ole B. Olsen, F. C. Reed and John Enberg; clerks, T. C. Frederickson and Jacob Utzinger.

Under the ordinance the registration books are to be opened at the auditor's office November 2 and kept open until the evening of December 5, and only such persons as register will be permitted to vote. Voters must have been residents of the state six months prior to the date of the election and of the city for three months, and must have resided in the ward in which they vote for 10 days.

It is provided that any person guilty of fraud in registering shall, upon conviction before the police judge, be fined not less than \$50 nor more than \$300, or be imprisoned from 25 to 100 days. Fraud is defined as wrongfully swearing to one's own qualifications or as to the qualifications of a person who is sworn in on election day.

The ordinance was introduced by Mr. Nordstrom and passed under suspension of the rules.

## VOTER WANTED TO REGISTER

Made Application About Six Months Ahead of Time.

The first man to make application to register called at the office of County Clerk Clinton yesterday afternoon. He met County Judge Trenchard in the hallway and told him that he was anxious to get his name on the registration book, and the judge, with a keen eye for the humorous, referred the man to the clerk. Mr. Clinton told him that there was no county election for eight months to come and that he could not register now. The man said he had nothing else to do yesterday afternoon, so thought he'd register. He promised to call when the books were opened and observe the necessary legal formality that is required of voters.

While the man who called at the court house yesterday was about six months too early, the officials would like to encourage the disposition among voters generally. Elections come around and hundreds of men have neglected to register, despite the insistent urgings of the press and the exhortations of the stump speakers and ward workers. This indifference creates end less trouble on election day. There will soon be a city election and the registration books will be open from November 2 to December 5, inclusive. A full city ticket is to be chosen, but it will require the combined efforts of all public agencies to get 75 per cent of the voters to register. Surprising as it may appear, many voters are actually too timid to call at the public offices. The timid ones should bear in mind that courage is positively not one of the qualifications, and that there is nothing in the formality favoring of an ordeal.

Mrs. Cornelia Rierson has returned from Salem.

Dan Welch and Mrs. Welch have returned from Portland.

Miss Ethel Palmer returned from a six weeks' visit in Portland last night. Marshall Kinney was down from Portland yesterday.

August Hildebrand and Mrs. Hildebrand are spending a few days in Portland.

## Mr. Marcotte to Leave the City

**Congregation Accepts His Resignation and He Will Take the Portland Church.**

At a meeting of the congregation of the First Presbyterian Church held on Sunday evening, the resignation of Rev. Henry Marcotte as pastor of the church was accepted. In opening the meeting Mr. Marcotte stated that it was his wish that the congregation should unanimously accept his resignation, as he believed the time had come when a change would be of benefit to the congregation as well as to himself. He rejoiced in the fact that the relations of pastor and congregation had always been cordial, and said that wherever he might be called upon to labor his interest in the Astoria church would never cease, adding the hope that his experience here would help him to better work in the future.

Elder E. C. Holden briefly addressed the meeting, saying that no one held Mr. Marcotte in higher esteem than he, but that, in justice to the pastor, the congregation should consent to his leaving for a new field of labor. Mr. Holden offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted.

"Whereas, The Rev. Henry Marcotte, after seven years of a successful pastorate over the First Presbyterian church of Astoria, during which time he has endeared himself to his church and congregation by his earnest and devoted efforts to promote the welfare and prosperity of the church and the extension of the kingdom of the Lord, Jesus Christ, has tendered his resignation and now asks the members to join him in a request to the Presbytery of Portland to sever his pastoral relations now existing; therefore, be it

Resolved, That, while we deeply regret the severance of the pastoral tie that has so closely and harmoniously bound pastor and people together for so many years, yet, believing that by a dispensation of Divine Providence our beloved pastor has been called of God to labor in the cause of the Master in a larger field, and that under the circumstances the Astoria church would not be justified in withholding its consent, therefore, be it further

Resolved, That, in compliance with the request of the Rev. Marcotte, this church accepts his resignation and will join with him in a request to the Presbytery of Portland to sever the pastoral relations now existing to take effect the last Sunday in November, 1903.

Elders J. T. Ross and John Bryce were elected as commissioners to the Presbytery to report the action of the congregation.

The Presbyterians of Astoria as yet have no one in view to succeed Mr. Marcotte, whose coming departure from the city will be universally regretted. As has been previously stated, Mr. Marcotte will remain in Astoria at least until the new church is dedicated—some time during the coming month. He is to accept the pastorate of the Westminster Presbyterian church of Portland.

## THE REPORT CAME STRAIGHT

**A. & C. Officials Know Nothing of Rumored Vandalism.**

Officials of the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad aver that they have not been informed of any attempts to wreck trains on the west side, and are inclined to regard the reported vandalism with skepticism.

The report of the attempted train-wrecking came straight to The Astorian from a source which cannot well be doubted. The informant was a well known woman resident of Hammond, and she stated positively that the attempts were made to wreck the trains. The spot where the obstructions were piled on the track is not 100 yards from her home, and she was one of the persons disturbed during the night by the rowdies who visited the little town.

It is singular indeed that, if there is no truth in the story, officers from Ft. Stevens should have made investigation of the premises, and quite as singular that the fence railing from the Cunningham place should have been piled on the track. These incidents and the absolute reliability of the informant are considerations altogether too significant to justify flippant dismissal as absurd of the idea of attempted train-wrecking.

The Astorian is quite willing to divulge to officials of the railroad company the manner in which it came into possession of the information published on Sunday morning, and the truth of which it has not yet had occasion to doubt, except as to the statement that the officials of the road had been acquainted with the circumstance and had duly reported the matter to the officers at Fort Stevens. It also wishes to disclaim any intention of attempting to slander the enlisted men at the post, who will be thoroughly vindicated by proof that the reputed effort to wreck the trains was never made.

## ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mrs. M. E. Lemon announces the engagement of her daughter, Amy, to James R. A. Bennett. The wedding, which will be a quiet home ceremony, will take place on Wednesday, October 21.

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